

REGISTRATION, DESCRIPTION AND STATISTICAL SERVICE

APPENDIX A

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE July 27, 1987

FULL NAME Craig Mathias SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS [REDACTED]CITY Canyon Country STATE California ZIP CODE 91351DATE OF BIRTH May 25, 1960 (This is important and should be exact)APPROXIMATE AGE 27 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)RELIGION L.D.S. NATIONALITY _____OCCUPATION Accountant - [REDACTED]

EDUCATION _____

WEIGHT _____ HEIGHT _____ RACE _____

COLOR OF HAIR _____ COLOR OF EYES _____

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS _____

MARRIED OR SINGLE Married CHILDREN _____
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

NAME OF SPOUSE _____

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

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S-0585	Saugus	CA	Ex/SM	June 1986	

SPECIAL RECOGNITION _____

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION AND LIST ATTACHED
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Signed Joseph L. Anglim Scout Executive Aug 1988

Council # 51

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April 8, 1988

Mr. Wayne L. Julian, Sr.
Scout Executive
Western Los Angeles County Council, No. 51

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Craig Ralph Mathias

Dear Wayne:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter.
This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent
Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

PE/mdw

cc: Western Region

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APR 05 1988
ERIN O'BILEY

National Office
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

1325 Walnut Hill Lane, Irving, Texas 75038-3096
Telephone: 214-580-2000

Mr. Clarence L. Barton
Assistant Scout Executive
Western Los Angeles County Council, No. 51

SUBJECT: Craig Mathias

Last summer you sent me much material concerning the above-named individual. This was all most helpful in building a file which will lead to refusal of future registration attempts.

Thank you for your help in completing this file.

Paul Ernst, Director

cc: Western Region
Wayne L. Julian, Sr., Scout Executive, Council No. 51

PLEASE NOTE NEW MAILING ADDRESS: *4400 E. 1st St. Apt. 101*
Boy Scouts of America, 1325 Walnut Hill Lane, P.O. Box 152079, Irving, Texas 75015-2079

Paul:
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to years in prison. I'll called to have
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February 15, 1988

Mr. Clarence L. Barton
Assistant Scout Executive
Western Los Angeles County Council, No. 51

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Clarence:

SUBJECT: Craig Mathias

Last summer you sent me such material concerning the above-named individual. This was all most helpful in building a file which will lead to refusal of future registration attempts.

We would like to know if the legal action is now completed. This information will be most helpful in completing our file. We would like to know any sentencing which has been imposed.

Thank you for your help in completing this file.
Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: Western Region
Wayne L. Julian, Sr., Scout Executive, Council No. 51

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August 11, 1987

Mr. Clarence L. Barton
Assistant Scout Executive
Western Los Angeles County Council, No. 51

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Craig Mathias

Dear Clarence:

Thank you for the material you recently sent concerning the above-named individual. This is most helpful and we appreciate the thoroughness with which you have put together the file.

We would like to be kept informed of legal action as it takes place at a later time. When we receive the final outcome of legal action and any sentencing, this will then give us a complete file and enable us to refuse registration anywhere an attempt might be made.

Thank you again for your help in protecting the youth of America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Services

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cc: Western Region
Wayne L. Julian, Sr., Scout Executive, Council No. 51

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August 5, 1987

Paul Ernst, S108
National Office
Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
Irving, Texas 75038-3096

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Paul;

Enclosed please find information on Craig Mathias.

To date, the enclosed newspaper articles are all we have obtained.

Please note Jim Lenoue's Memo for the action taken to date.

I will keep you informed of future happenings.

Have a nice day!

Sincerely,

Clarence L. Barton
Clarence L. Barton
Assistant Scout Executive

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Wednesday, July 8.

Approx. 9:30 a.m. - Received message through Harriet Bond from Clarence Barton asking me to make sure a Dist. Representative (Dave Doughman) was selected and that David Peterson was informed.

Approx. 10:30 a.m. - Called David Peterson to find he was not informed of the situation. Read him the article, gave him Bill Thompson's (Bishop Canyon Country 1st Ward) phone number. Peterson said he would contact Wayne Julian.

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TO: Clarence Barton

FROM: Jim Lenoue

RE: Troop 585 Incident

DATE: July 8, 1987

The following is the series of events regarding my actions in the Craig Mathais incident:

Monday, July 6 - Vacation - Not in office.

Tuesday, July 7 - Approx. 9 a.m. Received urgent message from Chad Holman.

Approx. 9:15 a.m., called office. Spoke to Joe Ungaro who told me of L.A. Times news story regarding the arrest of Craig Mathais.

Approx. 10:30 a.m. - Arrived at office and received phone call from Sgt. Warford of the Santa Clarita office of L.A.S.D. informing me of a press release Tuesday evening that appeared in the Tuesday morning L.A. times story.

Approx. 11:30 a.m. - Obtained two copies of L.A. Times. Gave one to Wayne Julian. Briefly discussed incident with Wayne. He gave me no special instructions.

Approx. 1:30 p.m. - Spoke with Chad Holman and Bruce Powdrill and decided that Clarence Barton should be notified as well as district officials.

Approx. 1:15 p.m. - Contacted Wally Stegall, (Dist. Commissioner); Tim McKeon, (LDS Stake President over Scouting); and Dave Doughman, (Dist. Chairman).

Approx. 1:30 p.m. - Contacted Camp Emerald Bay, (Sal Pilato - Dave Dobbs) and left message for Clarence to call Jim Lenoue upon reaching Marina del Rey. Called Betty Nelson at Sea Base with same message.

Approx. 2:30 p.m. - Talked with Bob Tate who informed me that he had talked to National and was going to contact Council Lawyer David Peterson and have all comments handled through him. Throughout the day, I referred all calls to messages or callbacks to Clarence Barton

Approx. 4:30 p.m. Received phone call from Clarence who advised that I make sure David Peterson was contacted as well as National and that a district and council spokesman was selected.

Approx. 4:45 p.m. - I talked to Bob Tate who reassured me that the situation was being handled.

Interview by PERRY C. RIDDLE

Local News in Brief

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Accused Molester Surrenders

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dividuals of high moral character who can offer the leadership and guidance needed by the young Scouts.

The committee is guided by a pamphlet, entitled "The Guide for Selecting Leaders," which is distributed by the BSA's national office.

Hebb said the Scoutmasters are crucial to the program because they provide direct leadership to the 989,000 Boy Scouts nationwide.

Individual counseling of the boys by the Scoutmasters is considered "part of the growth process."

Asked about overnight "sleepovers," Hebb said "they

are not part of our program, or something that we encourage."

Scouts are encouraged to camp overnight at least once a month, but Hebb said the BSA "strongly recommends" a concept known as "two-deep leadership" whereby at least two adults participate during outings.

In addition to reducing the possibility of child abuse, having two adults present during outings provides a margin of safety should one of the adults be hurt or become ill.

Stressing that he could not comment on Mathias' guilt or innocence, Hebb said that, in the rare instances when sexual abuse occurs within Scouting, it is usually unforeseeable.

"Based on what we've been able to determine, most of these cases have been first-timers," said Hebb.

Hebb said the BSA is currently strengthening the troop leader selection process and expects to have "a much more intensive application" for prospective Scout leaders before year's end.

However, Hebb said parents must also take an active interest in their children's Scouting activities and should not view Scouting as a babysitting service.

"In my opinion," said Hebb, "it is the responsibility of parents to know who their (Boy Scout) leaders are and to know where their kids are."

Scout Leader

Accused of Molestation

By Gary Johanson
Signal Staff Writer

Former Canyon Country Boy Scout leader Craig Mathias, 27, was arrested last midweek on charges of molesting 11 boys at his home.

Mathias turned himself into SCV Sheriffs Station July 1 after a two-week investigation by the Sheriff's Department.

He was arrested for allegedly committing "lewd and lascivious acts against children," a felony.

The boys, all from 12 to 14 years old, were allegedly molested over the past year and a half during overnight sleepovers at Mathias's home.

Most of the boys were Scouts.

News of the arrest was held until Monday because of the investigation.

However, as of yesterday morning, the Sheriff's Department's Juvenile Investigations Bureau had not filed child-molesting charges in the district attorney's office.

Mathias is free after posting \$50,000 bail.

The name of Mathias's troop and the number of boys in the unit has not been disclosed, nor has it been revealed whether Mathias was a Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster.

Local Scouting officials could not be reached for comment.

director of public relations, said he could not discuss Mathias' arrest, but he commented on the Boy Scouts' national effort to prevent child molestation.

He said each Boy Scout troop has a standing committee composed of parents and other interested individuals who review applicants for Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster.

The committee looks for in-

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Canyon Country, California 91351

June 27, 1987

TO: WESTERN L.A. COUNCIL
William S. Hart District
B.S.A.

FM: Bishop Bill J. Thompson
Troop 585

Please be advised that Craig Mathias has moved. He
is no longer our Scoutmaster.

Doug Soukup is now our Scoutmaster. His telephone
number is [redacted] and his address is [redacted]
nyon Country, California 91351.

Very truly yours,

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A mother undergoes ordeal after son tells her he was molested

BY MARK BARNHILL
Daily News Staff Writer

On the day her third son was born, her husband walked out and never came back, leaving her to raise the boys alone.

Eventually, the woman turned to Big Brothers of America to provide some fatherly counseling and experience for her sons. It helped a lot, she said, until five weeks ago when her youngest son — now 12 — told her he had been sexually molested by his Big Brother.

"I died when he told me," the woman said last week. "My heart fell down to my toes. I couldn't believe it. I had so many emotions. At first I wanted to go and kill him. Then, I felt sorry for him, believe it or not. I felt sorry for his wife.

"And I was almost angry at (my son)," she said. "I asked, 'Why did you let it happen?' He said, 'Mom, he was my friend.' "After that, I just cried."

The woman's complaint triggered an investigation by sheriff's

deputies that resulted last week in criminal charges against Craig Ralph Mathias, 27, of Canyon Country. He is accused of molesting four boys in his Boy Scout troop and the one Little Brother. Mathias, freed on \$50,000 bail after his July 1 arrest, is scheduled to be arraigned Aug. 5 and enter a plea on nine counts of sexual misconduct involving the five boys.

Six of the accusations are felonies, including oral copulation and lewd acts on a child younger than 14. The remaining three are misdemeanor counts of lewd acts in the presence of a child.

Few details of the case have been made public. Court Commissioner Charles L. Pevan last week sealed police records of the investigation, and Deputy District Attorney Pamela Davis-Springer, who filed the case, was on vacation and unavailable for comment.

Big Brothers of America, which ended its relationship with

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Scoutmaster who molested boys sentenced to 6 years

By D. CHILDRESS PHILLIPS
Daily News Staff Writer

SAN FERNANDO — A former Big Brother and Boy Scout troop master convicted of sexually molesting five boys during children's games which he conducted was sentenced Wednesday to six years in state prison.

"Justice is finally done," the mother of a Sylmar boy who was Craig R. Mathias' Little Brother said tearfully after the sentencing.

"He had the trust of the little boys and turned it into something awful. We can go on with our lives. The problem was we trusted him."

Mathias, 27, of Simi Valley, originally was charged with 10 counts of sexual misconduct and lewd acts involving boys ages 10 through 14 between late 1985 and June 1987. He pleaded guilty to five felony counts of lewd acts with children under 14 on Aug. 27.

Mathias lived in Canyon Country at the time of the incidents and some activities took place in his

home, prosecutors said. His probation report says Mathias would get his scout troop to play a game called "Truth or Dare," in which participants are asked questions and must answer truthfully, or if they refuse, engage in a dared activity.

In Mathias' case, the game involved sexual activity, the report says.

"A Boy Scout master is supposed to instill morality, honor and chastity in these boys," Deputy District Attorney Pamela Davis-Springer told Superior Court Judge Robert A. Fratianne. "He perverted the trust of these boys and their parents for his own perverted needs. He de-

veloped trust and exploited it."

Defense Attorney Ronald Taylor asked Fratianne to sentence Mathias to a maximum of two years in county jail or to a work furlough program, under which Mathias could spend time in jail at night but work during the day. This would allow Mathias, an accountant, to continue supporting his wife and newborn son, Taylor said.

Taylor said Mathias had been involved with the Boy Scouts since he was a boy and that this was "a crime of opportunity."

"It's not a situation where he went looking for boys to molest," Taylor said.

Fratianne sentenced Mathias to

six years on each count, to run concurrently, and ordered him to pay a \$500 fine that will go into a victim's fund.

"If it were one time this might have warranted probation, but with the counts I see before me and what has transpired over this period of time to these victims, there is no way," Fratianne said.

Parents and victims told prosecutors that the boys have had a difficult time in school since the incidents were revealed and that they hoped Mathias would be sent to prison.

"All of the boys are being teased and harassed at school about being gay," Davis-Springer said in court.

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Canyon Country Case Week 1/11/87

Scout Leader Gets 6-Year Term for Molesting Boys

By FRACZY KAPLAN, Times Staff Writer

1987

A Canyon Country Boy Scout leader was sentenced Wednesday to six years in prison for molesting five boys during overnight gatherings at his home.

There were grins and a few tears among the five boys as San Fernando Superior Court Judge Robert D. Fratianne imposed the sentence, which also included a \$500 fine on Craig Ralph Mathias.

Mathias had pleaded guilty Aug. 27 to five felony counts of child molestation.

Mathias' wife burst into tears when Fratianne said he would not be swayed from imposing the sentence, because the couple has a newborn son.

Deputy Dist. Atty. Pamela S. Davis-Springer, who had argued for the six-year sentence, said the boys, ages 10 to 14, had been recruited at school of being homosexuals and deserved to see Mathias punished.

Work Furlough Urged

"This sends a clear message to other men who would exploit a position of trust for their own perverse needs. Don't do it," Davis-Springer said.

Mathias' lawyer, Ronald V. Taylor, asked that his client be enrolled in a work furlough program instead of being sent to state prison. In a letter to the probation department, Mathias wrote that he had acted irrationally by engaging in activities that were "indecent and immoral." He wrote that he had been

grief-stricken that his closest friend was dying of leukemia.

Mathias was arrested July 1 after a two-week investigation by the Juvenile Operations Bureau of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department determined he had molested the Scouts on several occasions over an 18-month period between January, 1986, and July, 1987, Deputy Pete Fosselman said. The incidents occurred during "sleepovers" at Mathias' rural home, Fosselman said.

The investigation began after one boy reported Mathias' activities to the Sheriff's Department in June. The boy had originally met Mathias through the Big Brothers program, Davis-Springer said.

Nine of the 20 boys in Mathias' Boy Scout troop told deputies that, after Mathias' wife went to bed, Mathias often engaged them in games that ended in sexual play that included his fondling them.

Deputy Tom Kerfoot said.

Mathias was originally charged with six felony counts of child molestation and three misdemeanors or counts involving the nine boys.

To spare the children from testifying, Davis-Springer said, she agreed to allow Mathias to plead guilty to felony counts involving five of the boys in exchange for higher sentence.

If Mathias had been convicted in a trial, he could have been sentenced to a maximum of 12 years in prison.

David Gust
Go to the newspaper
Will be informed
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Mom, family face ordeal after molestation report

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Mathias when he was arrested, won't discuss the specifics of the case.

And Mathias, who became a Big Brother in 1984, has disconnected his phone and moved out of his home.

But last week, the mother who sparked the investigation agreed to talk about the range of emotions she and her sons have felt over the past five weeks. She said she hopes knowledge of her experience will help others prevent similar problems from occurring.

Her oldest son, in his early 20s, "wants to kill Craig," she said.

Her middle son, a teen-ager, "doesn't like to talk about it. He's very protective of his little brother," she said.

The youngest "has got mixed emotions," the mother said.

"I don't think he realizes how serious this is," she said. "I've tried to talk to him and he opens up to a point, but I can't really get a good handle on how he feels."

Her own feelings are just as confused, she said. She feels sorrow for the man accused of molesting her son, and deep hatred as well. She could barely control herself when he called on the phone after her son told her what had happened.

"I wanted to jump through the

wires and strangle him," she said.

"I have so many mixed emotions," she said. "I'd hate to see him go to prison because I don't think prison will do him any good. I want him to get psychiatric help. He's a good person, just a sick person."

"I guess it's funny I feel that way, but I feel bad for people. That's the way I am."

She contacted Big Brothers of America five years ago for her middle son and arranged for a Big Brother for her youngest son three years ago.

"It's always been wonderful," she said. "I had a lot of confidence in the organization. I thought it would be good for (my youngest son)."

He applied for the program three years ago and was assigned to Mathias, the woman said. They played miniature golf on their first outing together.

"They really hit it off," she said. "(My son) really liked him."

She also liked Mathias, who took her son along on Scout trips and later enlisted him in his troop.

"I talked to him all the time and thought he was wonderful," she said. "He had real good contact with (my son). He was always calling him and taking him places, and he put him in his Scout troop. He was wonderful."

But something happened about 16 months ago, she said. Her son

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— Woman whose son reported being sexually molested by a Big Brothers of America volunteer

didn't want to go anywhere with Mathias any more.

"He didn't say anything was wrong," she said. "He just said he didn't want to go. He'd say he wanted to be with his friends, or it was boring with Craig or that he wanted to stay with me."

She called Big Brothers for advice, and they told her not to worry, she said. An official told her "this kind of thing happens as kids get older — they lose interest and want to spend more time with their friends," she said.

Dick Arbenz, executive director of the Los Angeles office of Big Brothers of America, declined comment on the mother's earlier complaint.

"Generally speaking, if a mother calls with any kind of concern, period, we look into it fully," Arbenz said. "If she complains he parts his hair the wrong way we'll investigate it, and we (end the re-

lationship) if the mother is not happy."

The mother said she never suspected anything sinister, and in fact scolded her son.

"I was angry with him. I told him, 'Craig has gone out of his way for you and you're just not treating him right,'" she said.

Eight months ago, when he joined Mathias' Scout troop, his attitude changed, she said. He won several merit badges and was enthusiastic.

But three months ago, she said, he suddenly told her he wanted to quit the Scout troop.

"I told him I didn't understand why he wanted to quit," she said. "I kept harping on it. I was really disappointed in him and I didn't want him to disappoint Craig again. He said, 'Mom, I just don't like it.'"

Eventually, she said, the boy became so worked up that "he'd liter-

ally make himself sick so he wouldn't have to go." At that point, she said, she began to wonder if something was wrong.

"I asked him, 'Is something going on? Are you being touched or is something not right?'" she said. "He said no. He didn't want to open up. He said he just didn't want to go."

About a month ago, she said, her middle son told her the 12-year-old was being molested.

When the boy confirmed the story, she called the Big Brothers organization, which contacted police and suspended Mathias.

"I was just sick," she said. "Even though in my heart I already knew it had happened, I was sick."

Detectives tapped her phone, she said, and told her that if the suspect called, she should put her son on the phone. "Try and get it all out of him, to admit what he had done," they told her.

If he didn't call, police told her to have the boy call him.

"I was worried about all the emotions, but I told him to go ahead (and call)," she said. "I wanted to get it over with. I didn't want to drag it on any more."

"He felt like he was hurting his friend, but it was kind of an adventure," she said. "After it was over he said, 'I think I'm going to be a detective.'"

Listening to her son talk on the

phone was the first time she heard the explicit details, she said. She walked away at one point because it was too painful to hear. After he hung off the phone, she cried and hugged her son.

"I gave him a big kiss," she recalled, "and said, 'I'm so proud of you. Think of all the people you're helping.'"

Then she listened to the tape. On it, she said, her son is urged not to tell police about the incidents, "If you love me."

"I cried all the way through it," she said. "I wanted to kill him. I couldn't believe he was trying to lay a guilt trip on (my son). I wanted to mutilate him."

The woman plans to seek private counseling for her son. Neither police nor Big Brothers offered psychological assistance although both recommended it, she said.

She said she is worried about her son going through the ordeal of testifying in court.

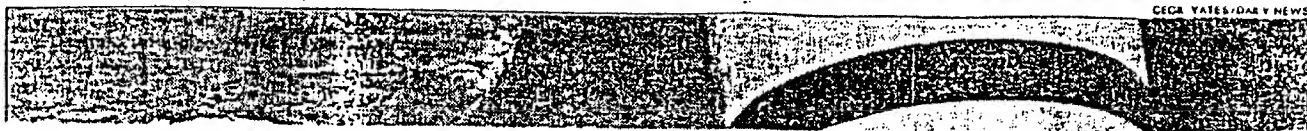
"I don't think it would be an easy thing," she said. "But even though it could be very devastating to him, if he talks maybe it will help other kids."

In the meantime, she said, she took her sons on a vacation and they are facing their problem together.

"We're talking about it and we're open about it," the mother said.

Asbestos scare

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Scout Leader Arrested on Molestation Counts

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RAIL: Idea to Put Money in Trust Picks Up Support

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Counter Accused of Molestations Was a Big Brother, Foster Parent

A 27-year-old Canyon Country Boy Scout leader arrested on suspicion of molesting 11 boys was also a volunteer Big Brother of three fatherless youths and a foster parent, officials said Wednesday.

Craig Mathias, who is married and an accountant, was arrested last week but is free on \$50,000 bail, said a Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department spokesman.

Mathias allegedly fondled several boys in his Scout troop who were on overnight stays in his rural Canyon Country home. The boys, "as 12 through 14, were allegedly tested for about 18 months before one of the boys told his parents, who complained to sheriff's deputies, said Deputy Dist. Atty. Pam Springer.

Mathias had been a Big Brother for three adolescent boys since January, 1984, but was dismissed earlier in June because of the allegations, said Mark Wild, associ-

law practice in Van Nuys. The Gerlachs had left Van Nuys Airport Monday in the plane they owned, she said.

Witnesses reported that, after the plane took off, it turned back toward the runway at a low altitude, Zappa said.

"As the aircraft came over the runway, the left wing was low and the pilot was unable to get the wing up," Zappa said. "The wing hit and the aircraft cartwheeled into the ground, catching fire immediately afterward."

The Associated Press reported that several witnesses saw what appeared to be a fuel leak as the plane took off. After the crash, the witnesses said they saw a frantic woman at the accident scene shouting, "My daughter's in there. . . . Please do something, those are our children," the news service reported.

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July 16, 1987

Mr. Wayne L. Julian, Sr.
Scout Executive
Western Los Angeles County Council, No. 51

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Craig Mathias

Dear Wayne:

We recently received a newspaper clipping concerning the above-named individual. It was indicated that he had been accused of molestation of male youth.

I am enclosing a Confidential Record Sheet which I would like to have completed, so that we may identify this individual should he try to register in some other location. We do not feel he should be registered with the Boy Scouts of America. We would like any further information which you can give us concerning this situation. We would also like to know the outcome of the legal action when this takes place. This will then complete our file and give us the information we need for refusal of registration anywhere in the country.

Thanks for your help in protecting the youth of America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration & Subscription Service

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cc: Western Region

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Scouter Accused of Molestations Was a Big Brother, Foster Parent

A 27-year-old Canyon County

Boy Scout leader arrested on suspicion of molesting 11 boys was also a volunteer Big Brother of three fatherless youths and a foster parent, officials said Wednesday.

Craig Mathias, 27, who is married and an accountant, was arrested last week but is free on \$50,000 bail, said a Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department spokesman.

Mathias allegedly fondled several boys in his Scout troop who were on overnight stays in his rural Canyon County home. The boys, ages 12 through 14, were allegedly molested for about 18 months before one of the boys told his parents, who complained to sheriff's deputies, said Deputy District Attorney Pam Springer.

Mathias had been a Big Brother for three adolescent boys since January, 1984, but was dismissed earlier in June because of the allegations, said Mark Wild, associate executive director of Big Brothers of America, an organization that matches fatherless children with adult mentors.

Springer said one of the molestation charges on be filed in San Fernando Superior Court this week involve one of the three boys to whom he was a Big Brother. Canyon County Department of Children's Services officials confirmed that Mathias was a foster parent for one boy but would not comment further.

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